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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Moore et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, and in accordance with the Rules of practice, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel the Claims as follows:

Cancel Claims 1-15, without prejudice.

Amend Claims 16, 17, 52 and 69, as follows:

16. (amended) An antibody that immunospecifically binds [the gene product of Claim 14] to a polypeptide comprising:

- a. the amino acid sequence in SEQ ID NO:2 or 4;
- b. the amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid insert of the clone contained in ATCC accession. No. 98414; or
- c. the amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid sequence in SEQ

 ID NO:1 or 3.
- 17. (amended) An antibody that immunospecifically binds [the gene product of Claim 15] a gene product encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complement of:

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